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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

EXAMINER:

NICOLSON, ET AL.

A. MERRIAM

APPLICATION NO: **09/262,542**

ART UNIT: 1714

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FOR: EXTENDED WEAR CONTACT LENS

7 March, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT A

Sir:

The Office Action dated September 7, 1999 from Examiner A. Merriam of Art Unit 1714 has been received and reviewed. The following is in response thereto.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 159, 163, 166 = 168, 171 - 173, and 175 as follows:

(Amended) A method for producing an extended wear contact lens, said contact lens comprising a core polymeric material which has a high oxygen permeability and a high ion or water permeability, which method comprises the steps of:

a) preparing a lens formulation comprising an oxyperm polymerizable material selected from the group consisting of siloxane-containing macromers, siloxane monomers, fluorine-containing macromers and fluorine monomers, and an ionoperm polymerizable material selected from the group consisting of acrylates, methacrylates, polyalkylene glycols and N-vinyl pyrrolidones, wherein said oxyperm polymerizable material comprises between about 30% to about 70%, based on the total weight, of said lens formulation;